N.C. 12 Update 9/15/2011

When Hurricane Irene hit North Carolina, the Photogrammetry Unit of the N.C. Department of Transportation knew it would be called into action. When the storm passed, the Photogrammetry Unit took to the skies from Raleigh-Durham International Airport in a Beechcraft C-90 aircraft mounted with a high-resolution digital camera. The group has flown missions at about 7,500 feet from Ocracoke to Corolla covering N.C. 12 and the coastline, and lower level flights at about 2,200 feet covering the N.C. 12 hot spots on Ocracoke and Hatteras islands.

At the Rodanthe breach area, crews continue to stockpile sand for dune reconstruction and fill sandbags.

At the temporary bridge location on Pea Island, crews continued to drive piles at the north end. Crews also continued to preassemble and sort temporary bridge components. Yesterday afternoon, crews were able to move 4 loads of piles to the south end of the breach.